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## CANADA'S HOUSE OF PARLIAMENT DESTROYED

Fire Preceded by Two Mysterious Explosions

AT LEAST TWO WOMEN PERISHED

Legislators Experienced Difficulty in Escaping from Burning Building and Two Members are Missing

Ottawa, Feb. 4.—The Dominion police gave out a statement this afternoon stating that the destruction of the Parliament buildings here was not caused by an incendiary but undoubtedly started from files of old newspapers in the library. The fire was first discovered when it had climbed to the eaves of that section of the building used for the library.

The explosions which have been reported from apparent bombs, tending to prove malicious destruction on the part of the country's enemies, have been minimized by the officials. Although the fire is believed to have started in the library section, the library was saved.

Ottawa, Friday, Feb. 4.—The historic Canadian parliament building was destroyed last night by a fire declared to have been caused by the explosion of a gas bomb of an infernal machine.

Two women, guests of the wife of Speaker Seagrave, were overcome by smoke and perished. Several policemen and firemen were buried under

debris when one end of the building collapsed. The number of persons taken to hospitals had not been determined early this morning.

Frederick F. Pardee, chief liberal member of the House of Commons, and William S. Loggie, a member of the House of Commons, it is feared they have lost their lives.

It has been established that the first burst of flame in the reading room of the house of commons was preceded by at least one explosion and probably by two. The force of the concussion was so severe that persons standing some distance away were hurled to the floor.

A rigid investigation to determine the cause of the fire already has been started by the Dominion authorities. The flames spread with such amazing rapidity that the Ottawa fire brigade was utterly helpless to cope with them and aid was sent from Montreal.

The loss is set at \$10,000,000 not including the value of many very valuable books and official documents. Mrs. Alphonse Verville wife of a well known labor member, says she was in the commons reading room when all of a sudden there was a light explosion, followed by a fire that seemed to sweep through the room as if the floors had been saturated with oil.

Legislators who were in the building experienced great difficulty in groping their way through smoke-filled corridors. Several fled through windows and down ladders to the street.

The entire fire fighting equipment of Ottawa was unable to cope with the flames and Mayor Martin of Montreal, a member of parliament at 10 o'clock ordered the Montreal fire brigade to this city.

Half an hour after the fire was discovered the glass roof over the commons chamber fell and it appeared that the handsome Gothic structure was doomed.

The fire developed and spread with such rapidity that the belief was expressed by officials that it was of incendiary origin.

Washington, Feb. 4.—Destruction of the government buildings at Ottawa last night by fire was announced in the Senate this morning as "a preposterous piece of incendiarianism" by Senator Thomas of Colorado, who declined to give the sources of his information on which his resolution was based.

CHARLES J. BAUDISTAL

Former Watchman at Cooper's Mill Died Thursday Following Operation

Charles John Baudistal, aged 53, well-known in the village because of his long service as watchman at the Cooper lower mill, died at his home on Safford street Thursday following his return from the Samaritan hospital.

He had suffered from stomach trouble for several years and finally submitted to an operation, from which he failed to convalesce. A week ago he was brought home in a wheeled chair, his strength such that his recovery was doubtful.

He was a native of Germany, coming to this country about 34 years ago. He first settled in Philadelphia then spent some time in New York. His first residence in Vermont was in Shaftsbury where he was a farmer for fourteen years. He entered the employment of the Valentine mill as watchman before its purchase by the Cooper Mfg. Co., which position he held up to the time of his entrance at the hospital.

Besides his wife, he is survived by four daughters: Mrs. Steven Haythorn, Miss Jennie Baudistal, Miss Elizabeth Baudistal, Miss Katherine Baudistal and one son, Fred Baudistal, all of Bennington. He had no brothers or sisters living, although there were other relatives in Germany.

Mr. Baudistal was considered a good citizen, a faithful watchman and made many friends during his long residence both here and in Shaftsbury. The funeral is to be held at the home on Safford street Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. W. G. Toward of the Baptist church officiating. Burial will be in Park Lawn cemetery.

Wait for the Hooks' fair, March 2, 3 and 4. Adv.

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## GERMANY REFUSES TO DISAVOW HER TORPEDOING

Lusitania Sinking Again a Crisis Sharp German Note

WILL ARBITRATE OR NOTHING

Latest Word From Berlin Believed To Be Final Is Forwarded to Wilson.

Berlin, Feb. 4.—Germany will not disavow the sinking of the Lusitania with loss of American lives, and if the American government does not wish to submit the issue to arbitration at the Hague, Germany is prepared to consider breaking off of relations or any other alternative which the United States may have in view. This, in effect, was substance of Germany latest note transmitted today to Washington, and published in all the leading German newspapers.

Washington, Feb. 4.—Sec. Lansing today transmitted to President Wilson in the west, the latest and perhaps last word from the German government on the Lusitania controversy. Germany is willing to apologize for the act, and make restitution for the loss of American lives. She is further willing to submit her side of the grievance to the Hague for arbitration, but she will suffer the breaking of diplomatic relations before she will make complete disavowal as the United States requires.

Deep pessimism prevails here at the text of the German communication. The State department has instructed Ambassador Gerard at Berlin to gather all the facts in connection with Germany's apparent last word and forward a report on the attitude of the German government and leading newspapers which may aid in any way in mitigating a serious misunderstanding.

Washington, Feb. 3.—The Appam case broadened out today, becoming a complex and possibly far reaching situation threatening to affect some of the fundamental questions of naval warfare at issue between the United States and Germany. For that reason it was not finally decided whether the ship should be returned to its British owners under the Hague convention or held the fair prize of the Germans under the Prussian-American treaty, although the indications remained that the latter course ultimately would be followed.

Officials are said to realize that the construction of the Prussian American treaty in this case undoubtedly will come up as a precedent at some other time during the war, and even might have a bearing on the case of the American sailing ship William P. Frye, sunk a year ago by the German commerce raider Prinz Eitel Friedrich. The Frye case is on the eve of settlement, practically on terms for which the United States contends.

American officials realize the Appam presents the case of a prize taken with great difficulty and risk of the captors to the nearest accessible neutral port. They recognize that should the United States turn the vessel back to the British owners that fact might be made an argument for sinking captured merchantmen.

The situation was cleared of some of its complexities today, however, by the release of the twelve British seamen whom the German commander was inclined to hold as prisoners of war because they had been gun pointers on captured merchantmen.

### ENGLISH COLLIER SUNK

By Bomb Dropped From Above By Zeppelin.

London, Feb. 3.—The collier Franz Fischer, which left Hartlepool Monday afternoon, was sunk at sea by one of the raiding Zeppelins which visited England. Thirteen of the crew, including the captain, were drowned.

Three men were saved. The Franz Fischer was a captured enemy vessel employed as a coasting collier. Chas. Hillier, one of the rescued, who was a native of New Foundland, described the disaster as follows:

"About 10:30 o'clock Tuesday night we heard a noise overhead such as we had never heard before. Presently a Zeppelin came right on top of us and dropped a bomb which fell near the engine room. A tremendous explosion followed, the vessel remaining afloat only two minutes."

Plan to attend the course supper at Baptist church, Tuesday Feb. 8th. Five courses, 50c. a course. Adv.

### WHAT IS CAUSE OF WAR

Free Lecture at High School Hall Next Week.

Arrangements were completed by Bennington Council of the Knights of Columbus last night for the free lecture by David Goldstein of Boston, on the Peace and War, which is to be held at High School Hall on Wednesday Feb. 9 at 8 o'clock, p. m.

It is announced that Mr. Goldstein will deal with his subject under three headings, giving the causes of War and the way to establish peace in our domestic, industrial and government relations. Mr. Goldstein will make plain the Christian attitude on these three phases of his subject, while he exposes the false teachings of radicals.

What causes family disruption? What solution do Catholics offer for divorce and its kindred modern evils? What causes the industrial conflicts of our time? How would Catholics establish industrial peace?

What is the cause of War? Does the European war prove Christianity to be a failure?

What is needed to establish and maintain an enduring peace of nations?

What has the Church done for international peace? What can she do today?

Does obedience to the Pope in matters of faith and morals conflict with the patriotic duty of Catholics to their country? Is there a higher form of patriotism than that taught by the Catholic Church? These are some of the questions Mr. Goldstein will answer in his address at the High School hall, Wednesday evening Feb. 9. His arguments are said by his friends to stand the tests of right-reason, but his enemies are not so complimentary.

Mr. Goldstein is a convert to the Catholic faith, having been baptized on May 21st, 1905, which was two years after he resigned from the Socialist movement. Mr. Goldstein's fearless, fair and uncompromising attitude in defense of Christian principles against the assault of opponents has at length won for him a very high standing in the community in which he lives. And it has won for him thousands of friends in the United States and Canada. Mr. Goldstein has the distinction of having been selected by His Eminence William Cardinal O'Connell, Archbishop of Boston, as layman to present the Catholic view of sociological problems in 1907 and year after year since that time. He is sent to the annual conventions of the American Federation of Catholic Societies each year to represent Boston.

The announcement that Mr. Goldstein is to speak in his home city is a guarantee of a packed house. In reporting the opening of the Common Cause Forum last season the Boston Journal says: "Catholics and Socialists by the thousands flocked to Franklin Union Hall last night to hear David Goldstein, a convert to the Catholic faith, tell of his journey from Socialism to the Church. Although the hall was filled 3,000 others in front of the building clamored for admittance until long after 9 o'clock, when they were finally convinced that not another person could be admitted."

Mr. Goldstein's sound reasoning and convincing logic is said frequently to arouse the ire of his opponents who invariably flock to hear and quiz him, despite the attempts of the National officers of the Socialist party to get members to "ignore Goldstein and ask him no questions." The press reports that "they come with the hope of causing embarrassment to the speaker, but in every instance Mr. Goldstein has met the enemy, disclosed their tactics, and completely defeated them." In answer to a California Socialist who made an attack upon Mr. Goldstein he replied, in part: "The charge of being a professional turncoat has in fact no slenderest thread to hold on to. My record is simple. I have not changed from one organization to another nor back again. I have been associated with one trade union during my life as a journeyman—that is the Clear Makers International Union of America, of which I am still a member in good standing and in which I am proud to say I hold a 26 year old card. I have been associated with but one political movement—I resigned from the Socialist party twelve years ago, after a futile attempt to induce it to repudiate its immoral teachings. I have been connected with but one Church—the Roman Catholic Church—into which I was privileged to enter ten years ago last May the twenty-first."

"Moreover I am not a turncoat with regard to my religious convictions. I am but a belated follower of our dear Lord. Being a Catholic means not a denial of great Jewish traditions, but rather a recognition of their greatness by reason of their fulfillment. The Catholic Church is the fulfillment of the law which was placed into the hands of the children of Israel and the Institution of the higher law in the Blessed Sacrament."

## ELEVEN LIVES ARE LOST IN 2 FIRES EARLY TODAY

New York Manison and Hotel at Atlantic City

MANY OTHERS WERE INJURED

Mrs. Casimer Tag Wife of German-American Bank President Had a Narrow Escape.

New York, Feb. 4.—Six people were burned to death, one is missing and two injured by an early morning fire which completely destroyed the cost-ly home of Mrs. Casimir Tag, widow of the late president of the German-American bank here. The property damage was estimated at \$50,000.

There were many heroic rescues by firemen. Mrs. Tag being brought from the burning mansion unconscious. Two of her daughters were among those that perished.

Atlantic City, Feb. 4.—Fire, which completely destroyed the Overbrook Hotel this morning, resulted in the death of three persons and the injury of about 20 others. Several guests at the hotel are reported missing and may be added to the death-list later. The origin of the fire is unknown.

### BROWN-BRYANT

Bride's Father Officiates at Manchester Center Marriage.

Manchester Center, Feb. 3.—At 4 o'clock this afternoon in the Baptist church of this village Miss Edith Shipson Brown, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Joseph S. Brown of this place, and Clyde Henry Bryant of Dorset were quietly married, the double ring service being used and the father of the bride officiating. Mrs. Bryant was a member of the class of 1913 of the University of Vermont. Mr. and Mrs. Bryant will make their home in this vicinity where a host of friends wish them happiness.

F. A. Humphries wishes to notify his milk customers through the columns of this paper that he will make his last delivery of milk Saturday, Feb. 5. All tickets will be redeemed that are out when bottles are collected. Adv.

which calls all men to spiritual perfection. I pray every day that the remnant of God's chosen people may be brought to the realization that the veil in the temple has been rent; that the Messiah has come; that He actually exists within His own Church that His Sacred Heart beats for everyone of them; that He patiently awaits their entrance into the one true fold, the fulfillment of His own prophecy."

## Permanent Relief For Chronic Constipation

Knowledge and Practice of Correct Daily Habit the Great Essential.

Constipation is a condition affecting all classes of all people and can be permanently relieved only by acquiring habits of regularity.

The most natural time for the eliminative process is in the morning when both the muscular and nervous systems are relaxed by sleep and rest. When relief does not come readily, it is an excellent plan to take a mild laxative at bedtime. Cathartics and purgatives, that by the violence of quick action shock and disturb the system, should not be employed.

An effective laxative remedy that is very dependable, and which does not gripe or otherwise disturb the organs involved, is found in a combination of simple laxative herbs known as Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin that can be bought at the Drug store for fifty cents a bottle.

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MRS. C. C. ALLEN

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### KOENIG ALBERT CAPTURED

Italians Lose Former North German Lloyd Liner.

The steamer Koenig Albert, flying the Italian flag and with 300 Serbian refugees on board, has been captured by Austrian warcraft in the Adriatic. It was announced at Berlin yesterday by the Overseas news agency. The agency's announcement says: An Austro-Hungarian submarine stopped the former North German Lloyd Koenig Albert in the Adriatic. The steamer had been captured by the British at the beginning of the war and afterward was put at the disposal of the Italians. The steamer, which

flew the Italian flag, carried 300 Serbian refugees. The submarine, after stopping the steamer, called a destroyer which towed the prize to Bocche di Cattaro.

### WEATHER FORECAST

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